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Case No. 659/695
(KC 14,897)

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:

Sherrod et al.

Serial No.: 09/825,609

Examiner: Karin M. Reichle

Filed: April 3, 2001

Group Art Unit: 3761

For: Absorbent Insert For Use
With An Outer Absorbent
Garment

**NOTICE OF APPEAL FROM THE DECISION OF THE EXAMINER
TO THE BOARD OF PATENT APPEALS AND INTERFERENCES**

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Dear Sir:

Applicant hereby appeals to the Board of Appeals from the decision dated January 26, 2005 of the Examiner finally rejecting Claims 1-3, 6, 9-14, and 18-22.

The item(s) checked below are appropriate:

1. ☐ An extension of time to respond to the final rejection was granted on _____ for _____ month(s).
2. ☐ A timely response to the final rejection has been filed, as provided in 841 O.G. 1411.
3. ☒ Fee \$500.00 Other than a Small Entity
☒ Enclosed
☐ Not required (Fee paid in prior appeal)
☐ Charge to Deposit Account No. 23-1925 (One additional copy of this Notice enclosed herewith)
☒ The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge payment of any additional filing fees required under 37 CFR § 1.16 and any patent application processing fees under 37 CFR § 1.17 associated with this communication or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 23-1925. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.
4. ☐ I hereby petition under 37 CFR § 1.136(a) for any extension of time required to ensure that this paper is timely filed. Please charge any associated fees which have not otherwise been paid to Deposit Account No. 23-1925. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.

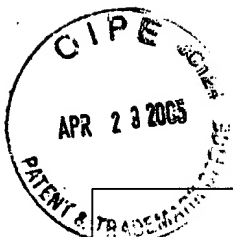
Respectfully submitted,



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Attached is/are:

- ☒ Transmittal Letter (in duplicate); Notice of Appeal from the Decision of the Examiner to the Board of Patent Appeals and Interferences (in duplicate); Check for \$500
- ☒ Return Receipt Postcard

Fee calculation:

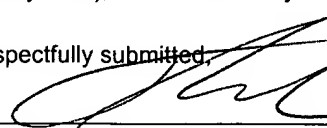
- ☐ No additional fee is required.
- ☐ Small Entity.
- ☐ An extension fee in an amount of \$_____ for a _____-month extension of time under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a).
- ☒ A petition or processing fee in an amount of \$500 under 37 C.F.R. § 1.27(a).
- ☐ An additional filing fee has been calculated as shown below:

					Small Entity			Not a Small Entity	
	Claims Remaining After Amendment		Highest No. Previously Paid For	Present Extra	Rate	Add'l Fee	or	Rate	Add'l Fee
Total		Minus			x \$25=			x \$50=	
Indep.		Minus			x 100=			x \$200=	
First Presentation of Multiple Dep. Claim					+\$180=			+\$360=	
					Total	\$		Total	\$

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- ☒ A check in the amount of \$500 is enclosed.
- ☐ Please charge Deposit Account No. 23-1925 in the amount of \$_____. A copy of this Transmittal is enclosed for this purpose.
- ☐ Payment by credit card in the amount of \$_____ (Form PTO-2038 is attached).
- ☒ The Director is hereby authorized to charge payment of any additional filing fees required under 37 CFR § 1.16 and any patent application processing fees under 37 CFR § 1.17 associated with this paper (including any extension fee required to ensure that this paper is timely filed), or to credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 23-1925.

Respectfully submitted,



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